

at least one of said first and second layers further comprises an adhesive mixed therein to facilitate bonding between the first and second layers, the container having been biaxially stretched and having a haze value of less than approximately 29% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

2. (Amended) The container of claim 1 the first layer comprising the adhesive wherein said adhesive comprises approximately 0.01% to 0.20% maleic anhydride.

3. (Amended) The container of claim 1 the first layer comprising the adhesive wherein said adhesive comprises approximately 0.015% maleic anhydride.

7. (Amended) The container of claim 1 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

17. (Amended) A stretch blow molded multilayer container comprising:
a first layer defining an innermost layer of the container and comprising polypropylene; and

a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer;

at least one of the first and second layers further comprising an adhesive mixed therein to facilitate bonding between the first and second layers, the container having been biaxially stretched and having a haze value of less than approximately 29% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

18. (Amended) The container of claim 17 the first layer comprising the adhesive wherein said adhesive comprises approximately 0.01% to about 0.20% maleic anhydride.

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19. (Amended) The container of claim 17 the first layer comprising the adhesive wherein said adhesive comprises approximately 0.015% maleic anhydride.

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23. (Amended) The container of claim 17 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

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33. (Amended) A stretch blow molded multilayer container comprising:
a first layer defining an outermost layer of the container and comprising a blend of a polypropylene and an adhesive; and
a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer;
the adhesive facilitating bonding between the first layer and the second layer, the container having been biaxially stretched and having a haze value of less than approximately 29% when measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

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39. (Amended) The container of claim 33 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

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49. (Amended) A stretch blow molded multilayer container comprising:
a first layer defining an innermost layer of the container and comprising a blend of a polypropylene and an adhesive; and
a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer;
the adhesive facilitating bonding between the first layer and the second layer, the container having been biaxially stretched and having a haze value of less than

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approximately 29% when measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

55. (Amended) The container of claim 33 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

65. (Amended) A stretch blow molded multilayer container comprising:
a first layer comprising a blend of a polypropylene and an adhesive; and
a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer;

the adhesive facilitating bonding between the first layer and the second layer, the first layer not having an adhesive-free layer directly adjacent thereto other than the first layer, the container having been biaxially stretched and having a haze value of less than approximately 29% when measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

71. (Amended) The container of claim 65 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

82. (Amended) A stretch blow molded multilayer container comprising:
a first layer comprising polypropylene and an adhesive; and
a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material;
the container having been biaxially stretched and the container having a haze value of less than approximately 29% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

88. (Amended) The container of claim 82 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

Please add the following new claims:

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99. (New) A method of making a container comprising the steps of:

forming a multilayer preform;

biaxially stretch blow molding said preform to form a transparent container comprising a first layer defining an outermost layer of said container and comprising polypropylene and a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer,

wherein said container has a haze value of less than approximately 29% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

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100. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein at least one of said first and second layers comprises an adhesive, the adhesive facilitating bonding between the first and second layers.

101. (New) The method of claim 100 wherein said first layer comprises the adhesive wherein said adhesive in said first layer comprises approximately 0.01% to 0.20% by weight maleic anhydride.

102. (New) The method of claim 101 wherein said adhesive in said first layer comprises approximately 0.015% by weight maleic anhydride.

103. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein said container has a haze value of approximately 10% to 12% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

104. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein said second layer comprises EVOH.

105. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.
106. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein said second layer comprises nylon 6.
107. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein said second layer comprises nylon 6,66.
108. (New) The method of claim 99 wherein said container further comprises a third layer comprised of polypropylene adjacent to the second layer.
109. (New) The method of claim 108 wherein said third layer further comprises an adhesive.
110. (New) The method of claim 108, the third layer defining an innermost layer.
111. (New) The method of claim 110, the third layer being bonded directly to the second layer.
112. (New) The method of claim 105, the second layer further comprising cobalt.
113. (New) A method of making a container comprising the steps of:
forming a multilayer preform;
biaxially stretch blow molding said preform to form a transparent container comprising a first layer defining an innermost layer of said container and comprising polypropylene and a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer,
wherein said container has a haze value of less than approximately 29% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.
114. (New) The method of claim 113 wherein at least one of said first and second layers comprises an adhesive, the adhesive facilitating bonding between the first and

second layers.

115. (New) The method of claim 114 wherein said first layer comprises the adhesive wherein said adhesive in said first layer comprises approximately 0.01% to 0.20% by weight maleic anhydride.

116. (New) The method of claim 115 wherein the adhesive comprises approximately 0.015% by weight maleic anhydride.

117. (New) The method of claim 113 wherein said container has a haze value of approximately 10% to 12% measured through a section of the container having a total thickness of greater than approximately 15 mils.

118. (New) The method of claim 113 wherein said second layer comprises EVOH.

119. (New) The method of claim 113 wherein said second layer comprises nylon.

120. (New) The method of claim 113 wherein said second layer comprises nylon

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121. (New) The method of claim 113 wherein said second layer comprises nylon

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122. (New) The method of claim 113 further comprising a third layer comprised of polypropylene adjacent to the second layer.

123. (New) The method of claim 122 wherein said third layer further comprises an adhesive.

124. (New) The method of claim 122, the third layer defining an outermost layer.

125. (New) The method of claim 122, the third layer being bonded directly to the second layer.

126. (New) The method of claim 119, the second layer further comprising cobalt.